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# CAC welcomes new commanding general

Nov. 22, 2011—General assumes command of Leavenworth

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. - U.S. soldiers serving overseas are counting on those working at Fort Leavenworth to guide the future of the Army, the fort's new commander said.

Lt. Gen. David G. Perkins, a three-star Army general, on Tuesday became commanding general of the Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth.

"Thousands and thousands and thousands of people are expecting us to get after this, to get after the future," Perkins told a crowd at an assumption of command ceremony.

Perkins replaces Lt. Gen. Robert Caslen Jr., who is now the commander of the NATO training mission in Iraq and chief of the Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq.

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Click to read LTG Perkins Initial Thoughts on the CAC Blog Click to view more photos of ceremony



General Robert Cone, TRADOC commander, passes the Combined Arms Center colors to Lieutenant General David G. Perkins in a ceremony symbolizing the assumption of command on Nov. 22 at Eisenhower Hall in the Lewis and Clark Center, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.



Brig. Gen. Charles A. Flynn receives the Legion of Merit award from Gen. Robert W. Cone, TRADOC commander, for his contributions as the Director, Mission Command Center of Excellence and Commander, Combined Arms Center on Nov. 22.

#### CAC Notable News and Events

#### 10 November—Mattox installed as CGSC's first ethics chair

Dr. John Mark Mattox was installed as the first Gen. Hugh Shelton Chair of Ethics at the Command and General Staff College Nov 7.

As the ethics chair, Mattox has a visiting professorship, the first privately-funded position at CGSC, said Dr. Chris King, dean of academics at CGSC. The position was part of a \$2.5 million gift to the CGSC Foundation by Ross Perot two years ago. *Click to read more* 

## 10 November—Survey IDs need for civilian leader development

Washington, D.C. - Findings in a Center for Army Leadership annual survey indicate the quality of civilian leadership is favorable and appears stable, but improvements are needed in leader development.

"While favorable doesn't mean perfect, there is always room for improvement," said John Steele, research team lead for CAL's 2010 Annual Survey of Army Leadership. *Click to read more* 

#### November 17, 2011—Doctrine expert talks to CGSC staff, faculty

Fort Leavenworth, Kan. - When he was an instructor with the Combat Studies Institute, Walt Kretchik kept hearing the phrase, the "last war." Army leaders were always trying to fight the last war, Kretchik was told, they didn't consider current events and couldn't be innovative. Click to read more

#### November 22, 2011—Center for Army Leadership wants survey responses

Fort Leavenworth, Kan. - Soldiers are asked to fill out many surveys each year. But the Center for Army Leadership at Fort Leavenworth wants Soldiers to know that one survey coming out this month is too important to ignore.

The Center for Army Leadership, or CAL, Annual Survey of Army Leadership, known as CASAL, is read at the highest levels and has brought actual changes to the Army. *Click to read more* 

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